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BOTH THE THOMASES INDICTED

FOR USING LIFE INSURANCE CO.'S FUNDS UNLAWFULLY.

They Plead Not Guilty and Give Ball-Two Bills Against E. R., the Long Thomas, and One Against O. F., the Short One, Whose Son Tangled Up His Affairs.

Edward R. Thomas and Orlando F. Thomas, who is not a relative but who has been engaged with E. R. in skyrocket financial enterprises, were indicted yesterday for violating the insurance law while they were in control of the Provident Savings Life Assurance Society, which they bought from Timothy L. Woodruff. There are two indictments against E. R. and one against O. F. They were filed by the special county Grand Jury which has been investigating banking cases.

They were no surprise to the Thomases, who appeared promptly with their counsel, ex-Justice John M. Davy of Rochester.

Judge Davy said that both defendants pleaded not guilty, but that he would like to have three weeks in which to withdraw the plea, demur or make whatever motion he thought was necessary.

Justice Dowling thought two weeks was chough and March 16 was fixed. It had been agreed that \$5,000 bail on each indictment was enough, so E. R. put up \$10,000 and O. F. \$5,000. The bonds were furnished by the Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryand and in a very short time the Thomases were out of the Criminal Courts Building.

The indictments refer to loans which were made by the Thomases while they had control of the Provident Life and are pased on violations of section 36 of the insurance law, which says that no director or officer of an insurance company shall receive any money or valuable thing for negotiating, procuring or recommending any loan from any such corporation or for selling or aiding in the sale of any stocks or securities to or by such corporation. The offence is a misdemeanor.

The first indictment against E. R. Thomas begins as follows: "The Grand Jury of the county of New York, by this indictment, accuse E. R Thomas of the crime of unlawfully being pecuniarily interested as a beneficiary in a loan from an insurance company doing business in this State, of which corporation he was then and there a director.

E. R. Thomas was chairman of the finance committee and a director, and O. F. was a director of the company. This indictment covers a loan made to E. R. Thomas by the firm of Thomas, Maclay & Co., stock brokers, as the firm was known in April, 1907. The Thomas of the firm was O. F., and the other partners were Robert Maclay and Harold H. Weekes. E. R. Thomas had been a customer of the firm and was indebted to it for large demand loans. He had made the loans to buy in securities through the firm on margin. But at the same time Thomas, Maclay & Co. owed a good deal of money to banks and other financial institutions. These loans were secured, according to the indictment, by stocks and securities owned by Maclay & Co., Thomas and other customers. This collateral, the indictment says, consisted of securities not listed on the Stock Exchange and was of a questionable character, and Thomas knew this. The indictment then enumerates loans made by

Thomas, Maclay & Co. the payment of which had been guaranteed by E. R. Thomas. The loans were as follows: \$200,000 by the Metropolitan Trust Company on December 20, 1908, 100,000 by the Metropolitan Trust Company on February 21, 1907. 100,000 by the Mercantile National Bank on

1,000,000 by the Mercantile National Bank on August 20, 1906. 100,000 by the Mercantile National Bank on January 22, 1907. 100,000 by the Mercantile National Bank on March 7, 1907, 180,000 by the Bowling Trust Company on Jan-

uary 29, 1907. 50,000 by the Mount Morris Bank on January

December 27, 1905.

All of these loans were payable on demand and were outstanding on April 2, 1907, and for the payment of each of them the indictment says E. R. Thomas was personally liable. On the same day Thomas. Maclay & Co. owed the Hamilton Bank \$100,000 on a demand note. This note was secured by collateral similar to that put up for the other loans. The Hamilton Bank demanded payment and it became necessary for Thomas, Maclay & Co. either to borrow \$100,000 with which to pay the note or then and there to suspend business If they suspended, payment of the other loans which had been guaranteed by E. R. Thomas would be demanded and default of payment the securities would be sold forthwith at a loss and Thomas,

After the Hamilton Bank demanded its money the Provident Life loaned \$100,-(60 in the Italian American Trust Company on an agreement that the \$100,000 should be turned over to Thomas, Maclay & Co. as a loan, which was done. Then the Hamilton Bank's loan was paid. This loan made by the Provident Life was not made on a policy issued by the company and therefore was a violation of the in surance law.

as the guarantor, would have to make good

the loss on the securities.

The second indictment against E. R. Thomas accused him of "unlawfully receiving a valuable thing for procuring a loan from an insurance company" in which he was a director. The indictment says that Thomas agreed to get his company to loan \$30,000 to the Union Bank of Brooklyn if he got a loan of \$100,000 from the bank. He got the loan and according to contract the insurance company five days later, on February 5, 1907, made the loan of

\$50,000 to the insurance company. The one indictment against O. F. Thomas says that he was a customer of the Maclay firm, doing business just like E. R., and that he guaranteed the following loans: \$50,000 by the Empire Trust Company on January

25,000 by the Oriental Bank on December 23, 1906. 10,000 by the Bank of Wayne of Lyons, N. Y., on

August 4, 1906, While these loans were out the Maclay

firm owed the Hudson Trust Company \$75,000, the lean being payable on demand On March 8, 1905, the trust company demanded payment of the loan, but the Maclay

firm had only \$25,000 on hand. O. F. Thomas arranged it so that the Provident Life loaned \$50,000 to the New Amsterdam National Bank on condition that it be loaned to Maclay & Co. This was

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EMMA GOLDMAN TO BE DEPORTED | SUFFRAGETTES HOOTED AWAY Federal Authorities, Roused by Father Leo's Murder, Take Action.

CHICAGO, Feb. 27 .- A special reception for Emma Goldman, the anarchist, when she comes to Chicago on March 6 to speak at the German Hodoarriers Hall, was ordered to-day by Frank P. Sargent, United States Commissioner of Immigration.

In an order from Washington he directed that the Chicago Federal authorities at once take steps to put her under arrest with the view of deporting her to Russia.

It was explained that as an avowed anarchist, who has never been naturalized, Emma Goldman comes within the immigration law barring anarchists from this country. When she left the United States recently she forfeited, it is said, even the shadow of a legal right to reside here.

The Rev. Pasquale Renzullo, pastor of St. Roch's Italian Catholic Church, called on Assistant Chief Scheuttler to-day to ask protection for Catholic clergyymen. Father Renzullo told of an attempt on the life of Father Modesto Gembrisi of St. Michael's Church, who was shot at by an assassin who has threatened his life in letters. Following the interview, which was private, Schuettler declined to tell of the plans of the police.

LETTER OF CREDIT MULTIPLIED. Issued in New York, Returned, Cashed in

Eight Cities-Loss \$100,000. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. Paris, Feb. 27.-The police here are investigating an ingenious swindle involving

\$100,000. Six months ago a man deposited a large sum of money in a well known bank in New York, asking for a letter of credit, which was given to him. He returned the letter in a few days, saying he had no further use for it, and withdrew the money from the bank.

In the meantime, however, the letter of credit was photographed and several clever reproductions were mailed to accomplices, who cashed them simultane ously in London, Hamburg, Paris, Marseilles, Rome, Genoa, Munich and Vienna,

As yet no clue has been discovered that would lead to the identification of the swindlers.

WATER BOARD WANTS \$20,000,000. Not All at Once, but Could Put 1,300 Un employed at Work.

At the meeting of the Board of Estimate to be held a week from to-day it is the intention of the Board of Water Supply to ask for \$20,000,000. One reason for asking for this large amount at this time is a request made recently by Mayor McClellan that the board if possible provide work for some of the unemployed. An appeal for help for those without work was made a few days ago by the Central Federated Union. If such an amount of bonds is authorized President Bensel said that work could probably be found for at least 1,500 more men by the end of the spring.

"There is nothing hysterical about this request," he said. "If the board authorizes the issue of \$20,000,000 of bonds it does not mean that the amount will be required at once. The payments can be scattered over five or six years. Unless this work is begun now, however, there will come a time when the water will not run above the cellars anywhere, the population is increasing so fast."

Mr. Bensel said that with the money the construction of two large siphons at Wallkill and Rondout could be begun shortly.

BANQUET TO PRESIDENT PARDO. Peruvian Officials Entertained on the Con necticut-Preparing to Sail.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. Lama, Feb. 27.-The party of American returned from Mount Meiggs at noon to-day and expressed themselves as de lighted with the trip. They were much impressed by the evidence of the ancient civilization of Peru exhibited by the Temple of the Sun, built by the Incas, the former

rulers of the country.

Gen. Elespuru, Minister of War and Marine, gave a most successful garden party this afternoon. There were 1,200 guests present, including 300 officers from the fleet. There was dancing, which continued until 7 o'clock this evening.

Another bullfight was given this afternoon, at which there were 4,000 spectators. among whom were 1,500 men from the various battleships.

Doctors from Lima visited Rear Admiral Evans to-day. He is suffering from a recurrence of his attacks of rheumatism Their prognosis was favorable.

To-night a grand banquet in honor of President Pardo was given on board the flagship Connecticut The guests included many of the high Peruvian officials. After dark the Bay of Callao presented a lovely aspect. All the warships in the harbor were decorated with varicolored electric lights and the other ships also displayed illuminations. The city of Callao was also brilliantly illuminated in honor of the oc-

The fleet is taking on board stores of provisions preparatory to its departure on Saturday. Much regret is expressed among all classes of Peruvians that its stay could not be lengthened.

FIND MISS LEWIS SANE.

She Thanks the Second Jury for "Saving

Her From the Mrdhouse." Mary Elizabeth Lewis, who has been an inmate of a private sanitarium in Bloomingdale for two years, was declared sane yesterday by a jury before Justice Aspinall in the Supreme Court in Brooklyn. Miss Lewis owns several hundred thousand dollars, and before she was sent to the sanitarium she lived in the Hotel St. George, on the Heights, for fourteen years. Judge Aspinall ordered the findings of the jury to be sent to the special term of the Supreme

on the Heights, for fourteen years. Judge Aspinall ordered the findings of the jury to be sent to the special term of the Supreme Court for confirmation.

Miss Lewis thanked Judge Aspinall for kind treatment during the long trial and told the jurors she was grateful to them for saving her from the madhouse. Then she shook hands with each juror. Miss Lewis also thanked her counsel, Hyacinth Ringrose, H. G. Bookius and Frederick Ware. She was paroled in the custody of her counsel.

The verdict of the jury restores to Miss Lewis the right to manage her own estate, which yields a yearly income of \$27,000. She is 56 years old. Her case was brought before the courts by a writ of habees corpus issued last November, which directed that she be taken from the sanitarium where she had been confined through the efforts of her relatives and brought before Justice Carr in the Special Term of the Supreme Court. A Sheriff's jury found her sane, but a commission reported against them. Justice Carr then sent the matter to the Trial Term.

THE CURB SHOWERS TICKER TAPE ON MRS. BORRMAN WELLS.

With Two Other Women and George Black She Invades the Financial District and Meets a Storm of Jeers-Paper Bags Filled With Water Used as Missiles.

An advance guard of three women from the Fresh Air Suffragettes and Mr. George Black of Harlem went down yesterday afternoon to show the financial district a great light. Broad street for block on either side of the Broad Exchange Building saw the light, but not in the manner that the three would have it, and after a bombardment of wastepaper baskets, water bags and ticker tape from every window within reach for fifteen stories above the street the three brave women and Mr. Black went away just as a a full bodied young riot was in the making.

Mrs. Borrman Wells, chief suffragette of the expedition, was "very, very angry" at the treatment that she and her fellow workers received. Miss Helen Murphy and a very young woman who would not give out her name under any circumstances. both of whom were with Mrs. Borrman Wells in the campaign carriage, were very wet and rumpled.

The suffragettes had announced that because of the imminence of the legislative hearing at Albany they had planned to have the best of their orators in Broad street at 3:30 yesterday afternoon, so that the solid business men of the community could learn the fundamental truths of votes for women. Just five minutes after the hour appointed an open carriage containing Mrs. Wells and her fellow crusaders trundled down Broad street and drew up in front of the Broad Exchange Building.

Mrs. Borrman Wells turned to the reporters in a businesslike way and gave the name and former history of Mr. Black, and then as Miss Murphy unfurled a yellow "Votes for Women" banner Mrs. Wells stood up to speak.

Every window on both sides of the street from the banker's offices on the ground floor to the cubbyholes under the eaves was thrown up, and clerks, typewriters and office boys struggled for places. Somebody, realizing that a joke was in progress, began to unfurl ticker tape from a window away up in the building at 30 Broad street. across the way, and within five minutes miles of the white ribbons were whipping and twisting from a dozen windows of the Exchange Building.

Mrs. Wells took this as a distinct compliment and hurried along in her forceful way. The street was blocked from curb to curb. The uniformed telegraph and cable boys eddied about in disturbing swirls waiting for the trouble flag to drop. "Get the hook!" suddenly burst from lips oo long bottled up under the strain of politeness. "Get the hook!" chorused a

dozen of the messenger boys. "I don't know what you mean, you know," replied Mrs. Wells, with some asperity, "but f you're referring to the necessity of getting hook for your Legislatures to bring them into the path of justice and honesty, then

am with you in that cry." This made a great hit. Somebody away up near the roof of the Broad Exchange showed appreciation by dropping a paper bag filled with water. It burst on the carriage top near the speaker and splattered her generously. The water bag was cheered, then Mrs. Wells. Everybody was

warming up and feeling just about right. The feathers on Mrs. Wells's fur toque began to droop with the wet and some ticker tape settled about her neck, but she kept at it, pounding out her periods with her gloved hands long after her words had ceased to be heard three feet beyond the

carriage wheels. Then she gave way to Mr. Black. That was what the crowd had been waiting for. A roar of joy went up from the crowd. which by this time filled in all the space of the curb market and straggled away to the steps and window ledges up near the Wall

street corner. Mr. Black opened his mouth to speak and another roar swept over the crowd. Two water bags and a broken wastepaper basket came down with a rush from somewhere up near the skyline. The basket ricochetted over the heads of those nearest the carriage and startled the horses until

they began to get restless. Just about this time those in the windows who had been letting ticker tape stream out over the heads of the gallant four in the campaign carriage began to reverse the process. They held to the end of the tape and threw the bolt; that worked much better. They sunebody high over the heads of the Ther emebody high over the heads of the crown and an office sponge and soaked it will ink. A flashily dressed young broker's clerk back at the edge of the crowd got that sponge in the collar.

A beer wagon cut its way through the pack and somebody shouted, "Drinks for the suffragetties!" A move was made for the beer crates and it looked for a minute as if there would really be drinks for the suffragettes.

Mrs. Borrman Wells frowned mightily and whisked the water off her green automobile coat with her handkerchief. Miss Murphy tried to smile, gripping her banner harder the while. The little unknown in the carriage with them shrunk as far eighteen Presidential electors. into her seat as she could and looked scared.

While Mr. Black was standing mute in the carriage, red with anger and waiting for a chance to speak, the crowd and those in the windows above got rough. Somebody threw a whiskbroom from an upper window in the Postal Building and it chugged into a man's stiff hat with a resounding thud. The hat was jammed down about its wearer's chin and he straightway looked for a fight. Then bananas and big mushy chocolate drops, such as constitute messenger boys' lunch, began flying thickly about the heads of the suffragettes.

About the time that one of the policemen went up to the Wall street corner to turn in a call for reserves Mrs. Borrman Wells accepted the inevitable and ordered the coachman to drive away.

FOR PREACHING POLYGAMY.

formon Evangelists Imprisoned and Expelled From Switzerland.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. GENEVA, Feb. 27.-The American Morions who were arrested recently at Chur, capital of the canton of Grisons, have been sentenced to serve three days in prison. Afterward they will be expelled from Switzerland for preaching polygamy.

HUNCHARIST PRIEST CONVICTED. | EDISON'S CONDITION GRAVE

Martoogessian Goes to Sing Sing for Two Years and Two Months

Levont M. Martoogessian, the Armenian priest who has been regarded as the head of the Hunchakist in this country for a number of years, was convicted in General Sessions last night of attempted extortion. The jury which has been hearing the case for three days took eighteen minutes to agree upon a verdict. Martoogessian, who is a self-contained person, was not disturbed by the verdict. He asked that he be sentenced at once.

His counsel, Martin T. Manton, a little speech saying that it had not been shown that Martoogessian had done wrong; that he simply collected money for a good cause. Judge Malone replied that he agreed with the verdict of the jury and sentenced Martoogessian to not less than two years and two months at hard labor in Sing Sing. The maximum penalty

is two years and five months. Martoogessian was tried for trying to extort \$100,000 from Miram G. Karagheusian, a rug dealer, who had an office in the Parker Building. It was brought out also that Martoogessian had attempted to blackmail several other rich Armenian rug dealers.

BONNER SUSPENDS THE TARDY Commissioner Disciplines Two Mer Holding \$3,000 Jobs.

Fire Commissioner Bonner suspended Alexander Stevens, Superintendent Buildings, and Joseph L. Burke, Chief Inspector of the Bureau of Combustibles, yesterday. Each man has a salary of \$3,000 a year.

The Commissioner refused to give any information about the matter for publica-There was a great deal of discussion about headquarters regarding the suspensions. It was said that the men were suspended for failing to report promptly at 9 o'clock in the morning for duty. Stevens, was said, reached headquarters at 9:11 clock and he was greatly surprised when informed that he was in trouble for being eleven minutes late.

Burke had been appointed by Fire Commissioner Lantry to succeed Mr. Larney. who was made secretary on the death of Alfred Downes. Stevens entered the department on April 7, 1897.

Burke, who was working against Senator Frawley at the last primaries, is the man who snapped a pistol in the face of Alderman Percy Nagle in the Park Row Building last fall, alleging that Nagle sent repeaters into the district to help out Frawley. Burke said last night that he didn't know he had been suspended.

WHY QUEBEC BRIDGE FELL. Structure Too Big for Standard Formula on Weight and Strain.

OTTAWA, Ont , Feb. 27 .- The report of the Royal Commission appointed to investigate the collapse of the Quebec bridge has been presented to the Minister of Railways, and after consideration by the Cabinet will be laid before Parliament next week. It is understood that the findings are that the collapse was due not to any defect in material or the construction but to a defect in the design.

In an undertaking greater than any ever before attempted in bridge construction, it appears that he engineers failed to recognize that the usual working formulas as to weight and strain were not applicable without considerable mod fication. The weight of the great middle span was too great for the supporting members, hence

the collapse. The chief engineer of the Phœnix Bridge Company was primarily responsible, but his design was approved by Mr. Cooper. consulting engineer of the Quebec Bridge Company, both being recognized as authorities on this continent on bridge construc-The design was further approved

by the Government. That the defects of the design can be remedied and the bridge finally constructed is now the opinion of the engineers.

LEMOINE ACCUSES WERNHER. 'Diamond Maker" Hits Back at Man From

Whom He Got \$320,000. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. PARIS, Feb. 27 .- The Temps says that the examining Magistrate in the case of Lemoine, the electrical engineer who is accused by Sir Julius Wernher of the De Beers Mining Company of obtaining from him by fraud \$320,000 in connection with a supposed invention for the manufacture of diamonds, is alleged to have discovered a person who supplied Lemoine with fusible plugs. It is supposed that real diamonds were concealed in these so as to be subsequently found in the crucibles in which the diamonds were alleged to be made. Lemoine has now formally charged Sir Julius with forgery and swindling in refer-

to the Magistrate. MISSOURI INDORSES TAFT. State's Delegates at Large Instructed to

ence to documents Sir Juluis submitted

Vote for the Secretary. St. Louis, Feb. 27.-The Republican State convention to-day indorsed Taft for President and instructed the State's four delegates at large to vote for him; indorsed Herbert S. Hadley for Governor. elected Charles Nagel of St. Louis national committeeman, selected four delegates at large and four alternates to the Republican national convention and nominated

The committee on resolutions averted a resolution offered by friends of T. K. Niedringhaus, who was defeated for national committeeman, in favor of the submission to the people of a prohibition amend ment to the Constitution.

The delegates at large are Senator William Warner, Attorney-General Herbert S. Hadley, John H. Bothwell and John H. Holmes.

NO INCREASED PAY FOR ARMY. The House Decides That It Should Authorized in a Separate Bill. WASHINGTON, Feb 27.-The House of

Representatives spent most of to-day's session discussing a point of order made by Mr. Tawney of Minnesota, chairman of the Committee on Appropriations, against the proposed increase of pay of enlisted men in the army carried in the Army Appropriation bill. Every one who spoke declared himself to bein favor of the increase, but Mr. Tawney and those who took the/same view insisted that it should come in a separate bill in ac-ordance with the rules All provisions in the bill affecting the rate of pay for enlisted men went out on points of order

ORWOND-DAYTONA AUTO RACES Mch 2-7. The Scaboard Florida Limited—daily—all Pullmans—travels shortest route. Through Pine-hurst-Camden-Savannah. The A. C. A. uses this train on 28th, Office 1188 Bdwy.—A6B.

A SECOND OPERATION NECESSARY. THIS TIME ON THE MASTOID.

eat of Old Wound Had Become Infected From the Abscess Opened Last Sunday -Four Surgeons Issue a Bulletin Saying That the Patient's Recovery Is Probable.

The condition of Thomas A. Edison, who was taken from his home in Orange, N. J., last Sunday night to the Manhattan Eye and Ear Hospital, has become grave, though his physicians say that his recovery is probable

Mr. Edison was operated on last Sunday to open an abscess of the middle ear, and a second operation has been necessary as a consequence of the first. Mr. Edison had been operated on three years before for an abscess in the left mastoid process and it was apprehended when the new abscess was opened that complications might arise in the seat of the old trouble.

That is what happened: The patient developed a high temperature yesterday and an infection of the mastoid was suspected Drs. James F. McKernon and W. Gill Wylie were called in in consultation and it was decided that the mastoid must be reentered and cleaned out. The operation, like the one of Sunday, was performed by Dr. Arthur D. Buel, who was assisted by Dr. John R. Page. Dr. John H. Bradshaw of Orange, Mr. Edison's family physician, was present. A bulletin signed by the four surgeons

and issued last night says: "A second operation was performed on Mr. Edison this afternoon owing to the fact that the infection has extended back into the old mastoid wound. He was seen in consultation by Dr. J. F. McKernon and Dr. Gill Wylie of New York and Dr. Bradshaw of Orange. While Mr. Edison's condition is grave it is probable that he will recover.

Mr. Edison celebrated his sixty-first birthday two weeks ago. Recently he has een in ill health, suffering from a chronio kidney complaint, it was said.

Mr. Edison has been very deaf for many years. Last week an abscess in the middle ear began to cause him intense pain and he went to the hospital, accompanied by his wife, a son and a daughter, who have taken rooms there. Dr. Duel was reluctant to discuss the case last night further than he had expressed himself with the other surgeons in the bulletin. Mr. Edison's condition was undoubtedly grave, he said, but there was an excellent chance that he would pull through.

ANOTHER ICE PROSECUTOR. Attorney-General Adds George Gordon Battle to J. W. Osborne.

Another special prosecutor has been apointed by Attorney-General Jackson to help in the ice trust inquisition before the special county Grand Jury. George Gordon Battle is the man. With James W. Osborne and W. A. De Ford he appeared before the Grand Jury yesterday afternoon for the first time. Only accountants who have gone over the books of the company were

examined vesterday. Justice Dowling announced yesterday that the Grand Jury which was sworn in in January will be continued for another month. The Grand Jury was drawn to ook into banking cases. Justice Dowling thanked the jurors for what they had done and said he was sorry that so much of their time had been taken up. The Grand Jury still has the ice trust and the Metropolitan investigation to wind up.

REMEMBERED HIS VOICE. How Mrs. Otten Helped the Police Catch

the Man Who Robbed Her Home. Mrs. Luke Otten, whose home in Auburn dale, near Flushing, was robbed early yesterday morning, recalled later that the man who shouted to her "Lav still: don't make a noise, or I'll kill you and your daughter tool" had a voice exactly like that of a man who often visited with her coachman. From the coachman the woman learned that the visitor was Louis Ander-

son, who worked for William Wagner,

a carpenter of Bayside. Mr. Otten called

Mr. Wagner by phone and the latter went

to Anderson's room. Anderson was asleep

and Wagner searched the room, finding nearly all of the stuff that had been taken from the Otten home. After the police had arrested Anderson he admitted that he was paroled from the State prison six months ago and was taken care of in Mrs. Booth's Hope Hall in Rockland county until he got a job with Mr. Wagner. He was arraigned before Mag-

Grand Jury on a charge of burglary. DROPS DEAD IN A CAR. Barnett Bildersee Was on His Way to

istrate Fitch in Flushing and held for the

Attend a Religious Service. Barnett Bildersee, secretary of the West End Synagogue, 8 West Eighty-second street, dropped dead last night in Lenox avenue near 117th street while on his way to attend a religious service. He was accompanied by his daughter and had just come from his home at 213 West 105th street. ome from his nome at 213 west 105th street.

Mr. Bildersee was 62 years old and had served the congregation of the synagogue for thirty years. He was born in New York and after being graduated from City College served in the office of Capt Ericsson, the inventor of the ironclad Monitor. Mr. the inventor of the frontial Monitor. Mr. Bildersee married Miss Flora Misch and since 1880 had been a wholesale importer of bric-à-brac. He is survived by his wife, two daughters and a son, Isaac.

STOLE DIAMONDS WORTH \$30,000. Salesman Confesses to Thefts From His Employer.

Harry Levison, a diamond salesman confessed to Assistant District Attorney McGuire yesterday that he had stolen \$30,000 worth of diamonds from his employer, Marx G. Levy, a diamond dealer at 54 Maiden lane. Levison pleaded guilty in General Sessions to an indictment for stealing a diamond worth \$700, but then he pwned up that he had stolen much more and pawned all the diamonds with pawn-

Levison gave the names of the pawn-brokers and Judge Mulqueen issued subposnas for them to appear in court on March 5, when Levison will be sentenced. If the diamonds can be identified Judge Mulqueen rill probably order that they be returned to Levy.

Levison, who is 29 years old, lived at 11 East 119th street. He said he spent the money on speculating in Wall Street and betting on horseraces.

FORTY TRAINS TO PHILADELPHIA Every weekday via Pennsylvania R Twenty-nine every Sunday. Three stati Manhattan, one in Brooklyn,—Ade.

PLOT AGAINST ALFONSO. Two Men Arrested While King Reviews

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. PARIS, Feb. 28,-The Matin says that a plot against the life of King Alfonso has een discovered in Madrid.

Two men suspected of complicity in the conspiracy were arrested at Caramanchel while the King was reviewing the troops.

ERIE TO USE RIVER TUBES. President Underwood Says Contract With

Tunnel Company Has Been Signed. MONTCLAIR, N. J., Feb. 27 .- In response to questions of commuters along the Greenwood Lake branch of the Erie Railroad President F. D. Underwood has given out the information that through service in

passengers from Montelair and other points. The contract between the Erie Railroad and the Hudson River Tunnel Company has already been signed," said Mr. Underwood, "and we can make connections with the new tunnel within a few months. The Erie Railroad will positively connect with the new tunnel.

the 'McAdoo tunnel will be available for

President Underwood also declares that the Greenwood Lake branch of the Erie Railroad will be electrically equipped as soon as the financial conditions warrant the necessary expenditure.

HUGHES FIGHT ON IN KENTUCKY A. B. Humphreys Starts Movement to Get

State's Delegation. LOUISVILLE, Feb. 27 .- A. B. Humphreys of New York, who is enlisted in the campaign of Gov. Hughes for the Republican President nomination, came to Louisville

He met a number of local and State workers at the Galt House and machinery was set in motion for gaining as many State delegates as possible.

FIXING UP EAST RIVER TUNNEL. Extra Ballast Being Put In at Two Places

In order to make the new tubes to Brooklyn conform to the proper grade it has been found necessary to put in extra ballast at two places where the tracks have sunk a little. One place is at the Manhattan end of the north tube and the other at the Brooklyn end of the south tube. The work is

being done at night. There was a report yesterday that the tunnels themselves had sunk as a result of the operation of trains, but engineers of the Public Service Commission pronounced this absurd. Chief Engineer Seaman said that an examination made of the tunnel showed that there was not a variation of an eighth of an inch in the tunnel since trains had been running through it. The work being done, he said, was to repair some unevenness caused by the sinking of the ballast.

3,000 MORE MEN FOR MOROCCO. Gen. Lyautey to Supersede Gen. D'Amade

in Command. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. Paris, Feb. 28 .- The Petit Parisien says understands that the Government has decided to send 3,000 reenforcements to Morocco, making the force there 10,000

It adds that Gen. Lyautey, who very successfully commanded on the eastern Gen. d'Amade.

MAN AND WIFE CONVICTED. Mr. and Mrs. Gaglie Sent to Prison on Charges of Arson.

A man and his wife who were convicted in General Sessions of arson were sentenced yesterday by Judge Crain to not less than ten years and four months and not more than fifteen years and four months. the woman to go to Auburn and the man

to Sing Sing. The prisoners were Carmela Gaglio and his wife, Ignatia. They set fire to their apartments in a double decker tenement at 32 Chrystie street. There were twenty families, aggregating 130 persons, in the house.

TO SETTLE STRIKES. Information Via Canada About a Policy

at Washington. MONTREAL, Feb. 27 .- Dr. Victor S. Clark of Washington, who has been requested by President Roosevelt to visit Canada to investigate the operation of the industrial disputes act, stated to-day that strikes in

the United States were ruining trade and

driving business out of the country. He said that the Government has decided to pass legislation of a conciliatory nature which will have the effect of settling trade disputes by a board of arbitration along

lines of the Canadian disputes act. BURGLAR AT R. W. BUCKLEY'S. Scared by Dog's Barking, Disappears by

Way of the Roof. A burglar forced his way at 11:30 last night into the home of Richard W. Buckley, an architect, at 58 East Seventy-third street and got away with \$50 in cash and a gold bracelet. The barking of Mr. Buckley's pet dog, Prince, aroused the household, but before Mr. Buckley or any of the servants reached the top floor, where the intruder was rummaging through the servants' rooms, he went out the window and

shinnied up to the roof and got away. shinnied up to the roof and got away.

A squad of reserves surrounded the block
and every rooftop was searched, but no
trace of the burglar was found. Dr. J. H.
Frankenberg and Mrs. Ellas, who occupy
the houses adjoining the Buckleys, heard
the footsteps on the roofs, and while the
detectives could find no getaway aloft still
they couldn't find the intruder.

RUMOR ABOUT SNOW. Tip That the Defaulting Ex-Treasurer Is in Toronto.

Information reached the Brooklyn police yesterday that Henry Sanger Snow, the defaulting ex-treasurer of the New York defaulting ex-treasurer of the New York and New Jersey Telephone Company, who disappeared two weeks ago, had been seen in a hotel in Toronto, Canada, on Wednesday.

Acting Captain Kuhne at once got into communication with the police of Toronto and if he has reason to suspect that Snow is hiding in that city he will send a couple of his men there immediately.

is hiding in that city he will of his men there immediately. Fourteen Postmasters in Taft Convention. GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., Feb. 27 .- The

City and Nelson Sharp of West Branch delegates to the national convention. Reso-lutions adopted indorse Rossevelt and instruct for Taft. There were fourteen

PRICE TWO CENTS.

ASK JEROME'S HEAD OF HUGHES

KING COMMITTEE FILE CHARGES WITH THE GOVERNOR.

Governor Will Probably Call on the District Attorney to Answer and Then Decide About a Hearing-Mr. Jerome Makes an Informal Answer Public at Once.

ALBANY, Feb. 27.-William F. King and

his committee of minority stockholders in the Metropolitan Street Railway Company filed with Gov. Hughes to-day a petition asking for the removal of District Attorney Jerome. Gov. Hughes said tonight that the charges would probably take the usual course after he had had opportunity to examine them. The Governor will cause a copy of the charges to be served on the District Attorney and will give the latter time to prepare and file his answer, after which the Governor will decide as to whether be shall refer the charges for hearing to a commissioner. as was done in the case of the charges preferred recently against Supt. Leary of the Metropolitan Bureau of Elections. Fixing a date for a hearing will depend upon the decision as to whether the charges shall be heard by the Governor or by such

The petition contains twenty-three charges, which in the opinion of Mr. King and the other committeemen show that Mr. Jerome is unfit to continue in office. The members of the committee besides King are I. Blum, George L. Degener. Nathan H. Heyman, John H. Parsons and William Maas. Franklin Pierce and Eugene J. Kraemer, as attorneys for the committee. accompanied King and Secretary Blum when they visited the Executive chamber.

a commission.

The petition charges Mr. Jerome with failure to prosecute the Metropolitan "jury fixing" cases and with neglect and unneces sary delay in prosecuting the insurance cases. It condemns Mr. Jerome for the way he handled the test case against George W. Perkins in the matter of campaign contributions by insurance companies, and accuses him of having failed to prosecute in many of the insurance offences, of fail-ing to prosecute the Interborough-Metropolitan as an illegal combination, and of failing to prosecute the ice trust. As to the ice trust it alleges that the assistant who presented the case to the Grand Jury was related to persons interested in the trust and that no thorough examination was

made. The petition alleges that Mr. Jerome has done practically nothing in the Metropolitan Street Railway cases; that he failed to act not only on complaints made to him before the Public Service investiga tion but that he has not accomp shed anything since. Speaking of the men who have been accused in the Metropoli. scandals, the petition says:

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"Mr. Jerome has assumed the attitud of their protector and advocate, has avoided investigation and instead of investigating the matter through persons acquainted with the facts has subposnaed the members of the stockholders' committee and their chairman before him, well knowing that they had no personal knowledge and frontier round Oudjda, will take command | could give him no aid, and this has been comfiting them and deterring them from contending that the criminal law should

be enforced.' Mr. Jerome's statements in regard to the Justices of the Supreme Court of the First Department it is charged are not only improper but scandalous in their nature.

The committee charges that the District Attorney misconducted himself in failing to indict and seek convictions of some of the officials of the New York Central railroad in connection with the Park avenue disaster in 190?; also that no action was taken by him in the cases of the United States Shipbuilding Company, the New York Building Loan Banking Company and the failure of the Merchants Trust Company.

The petition says that the acceptance of \$5,000 from Samuel Untermyer, James H. Hyde's counsel, as a contribution to the Jerome campaign fund when Hyde was likely to be investigated by the Grand Jury was entirely improper, and so with a \$2,500 contribution presumably from Jacob H. Schiff. It says that Howard S. Gans, then one of Mr. Jerome's assistants, received contributions in that campaign from many men connected with corporations seeking favors from the District Attorney. The petition goes on:

That said Howard S. Gans has since left e office of the District Attorney and has established himself in private law practice, and that unfortunately for the administration of the criminal law in New York county, however innocent Mr. Jerome may be of being subject to the influence of Mr. Gans, there is an impression quite popular at the bar and among the people acquainted with the situa-tion that Mr. Gans has undue influence in

the District Attorney's office.

He is alleged to have been retained for the defendant in many celebrated cases, a few of which are as follows: Robert A. Grannis, under indictment for offences committed in the Mutual Life Insurance Company; Harry Thaw, George W. Perkins, President Mont-gomery of the Hamilton Bank, Mr. Heinze, Mr. Cravath and Magistrate Droege. Pre sumably the relations between Mr. Gans and Mr. Jerome are perfectly innocent, yet the existence of a belief to the contrary is detrimental to the due administration of the criminal law in New York county, tends to mpair the confidence of the people in its administration, and such relations ought to be a subject of inquiry to demonstrate their innocence and to remove the District Attor ney's office from the breath of suspicion.

The petition concludes as follows By reason of the above facts, which have been brought into marked prominence through the existing depressed of the country, Mr. Jerome has lost almost completely, we submit, the confidence of the people of the county of New York. His habit of becoming the advocate of the accused in many of the cases which have been detailed has tended very materially to impair the public confidence in him. A large proportion of the citizens of New York county. however unjust toward Mr. Jerome their eelings may be, have, nevertheless, been led by these facts to believe that he is the friend and protector of the wealthy criminal and not the attorney and the protector of the whole people.

With confidence in him thus impaired, his great abilities make him all the more dis-trusted. With the loss of public confidence he has seemed to lose even interest in the Tenth district Republican convention at Bay City to-day chose E. B. Foss of Bay enforcement of the laws, and those of his former friends who are insistent upon their enforcement are regarded by him as his enemies and no longer his friends. The un-